

Reef Champion Award Nominations

Extended

Nominations for the 2022 Reef Champion Awards have been extended until 5 pm Friday, 19 August 2022. The extension gives outstanding land managers, extension officers, organisations and members of the community working to reduce their impact on the iconic Great Barrier Reef further time to apply for the awards.

Queensland Farmers' Federation (QFF) CEO Jo Sheppard said the new closing date allowed busy individuals and organisations excelling in their efforts to help safeguard the Reef more time to be recognised, and encouraged them to apply.

"We have already received some excellent nominations and encourage other potential applicants to take this opportunity to apply," Ms Sheppard said.

"Farmers, with the support of extension officers and their communities, play an essential role as land managers and it is important to acknowledge and celebrate those who are excelling in their role as environmental stewards."

This year two new awards have been introduced that will recognise and celebrate the work of Traditional Owner Reef Champions, reinforcing the collective community efforts that are being made to protect this unique, world heritage-listed national treasure.

The Awards are also open to young people, schools, councils and community groups who are helping preserve the wonder of the Reef.

The full list of awards is:

- Prince of Wales Environmental Leadership - Reef Sustainability Award
- Reef Nutrient Stewardship Champion Award

- Reef Sediment Stewardship Champion Award
- Reef Pesticide Stewardship Champion Award
- Reef Conservation Champion Award
- Reef Extension Officer Champion Award
- Reef Community Champion Award
- Reef Youth Champion Award
- Reef Traditional Owner Youth Champion Award
- Reef Traditional Owner Group Champion Award

The Reef Champion Awards are run by the Queensland Farmers' Federation with funding from the Australian Government and the Queensland Government's Reef Water Quality Program.

Nominations close at 5 pm Friday 19 August. For more information about the Awards, or to apply, visit <https://www.qff.org.au/projects/reef-champion-awards/>

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